BUYING A MOTORCYCLE... SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT



FROM YOUR CMC...



2007 Harley Davidson Road King Custom

"I've owned motorcycles my entire adult life - I'm currently on bike #5 and have loved every second of ownership. When you follow the rules and drive safely owning a motorcycle can be a source of great fun. Ignore any one element and fun can turn to tragedy. Before you buy you MUST know what you're getting into and make yourself an EXPERT on the rules."

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BEFORE YOU BUY

- Why do you want a motorcycle?
- Can you afford it?
- Is this your first bike?
- Do you have riding skills?
- Do you have a license?
- What size/type of bike do you want?
- What size/type of bike is BEST for you?
- Are you in a hurry?
- New or used?

PROS AND CONS

- PROS:
 - Price
 - Fun
- CONS:
 - Dangerous
 - Other drivers (weather)
 - YOUR lack of skill
 - Insurance
 - Safety Requirements

- Speed ???
- Looks cool

- Rider Training
 - Limited Usage
- Storage
- Re-Sale Value
 - -Maintenance

BEFORE YOU BUY

- What do you need?
 - License (Pretty easy)
 - Insurance (Can be costly)
 - Safety Equipment (Can be costly)
 - Motorcycle Safety Course (Mandatory)
 - Base Stickers (All above required first)

BASIC RIDER COURSE

- Traffic Safety Training Traffic Safety Training is coordinated and managed by the respective CNRMA Public Safety installation's safety office. Please contact the respective Safety Office, as indicated below, to obtain course quotas. Below is a brief synopsis of the courses currently offered:
- Basic Rider Course (BRC) Motorcycle Safety Course, (16 hours, 2 days). Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) approved course. Mandatory for all active duty personnel who operate motorcycles on- or off-base, on- or off-duty, and civilian employees operating on-base. State license with appropriate motorcycle endorsement is required to sign up. Riders must provide their own motorcycle for the course.

BASIC RIDER COURSE

- Experienced Rider Course (ERC) Motorcycle Sa
 fety Course
 (5 hours, 1 day). Motorcycle Safety Foundation
 (MSF) approved course. Group riding suite is included in this training. Proof of successful completion of the BRC is required prior to enrolling.
- All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Rider Course (8 hours, 1 day). Operators of government-owned all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) shall successfully complete this course prior to operating these vehicles on any navy installation.
- Military Sport Bike Course (MSBC) Motorcycle Safety Course (See Handout)
- https://www.cnic.navy.mil/cnrma/Programs/Safety/trafficsafety/index.htm
- CNRMA-taught courses are FREE!

BASIC RIDER COURSE

- The Basic Rider Course is also offered through:
 - Tidewater Community College
 - Thomas Nelson Community College
 - Bayside Harley Davidson
 - *Each of the above training courses supplies motorcycles for the training. More information is in your handouts.
 - **Each of these courses come with a cost.

PPE

- If you are going to operate a motorcycle in the military you MUST wear the following safety gear (on and off military bases):
 - DOT or SNELL approved helmet
 - Long trousers
 - Long-sleeved shirt (minimum Requirement)
 - Brightly-colored clothing (daytime) or Reflective Vest from dusk to dawn and in reduced visibility.
 - Full-finger leather gloves
 - Hard soled shoes with heels that protect the ankle
 - Protective eyewear

^{*}Keep in mind all this equipment is to be worn even when it's 100 degrees outside!



SAFETY REFERENCES

- OPNAVINST 5100.12H
 - Navy Safety Traffic program
- DOD 6055.4
 - DOD Traffic Safety Program
- ALSAFE 030-08
 - Military Sport Bike Rider Course
- COMFLTFORCOM 021525Z JUN 07
 - P4 concerning motorcycles
- RHUMBLINES 14 MAY 08
 - Motorcycle Safety

WEB LINKS

- CNRMA Motorcycle Training: https://www.cnic.navy.mil/cnrma/Programs/Safety/trafficsafet y/index.htm
- Navy Safety Center:
- http://safetycenter.navy.mil/
- Motorcycle Safety Foundation:
- http://www.msf-usa.org/
- Motorcycle Safety Resources:
- http://safetycenter.navy.mil/toolbox/traffic/motorcycles/defaul t.htm
- Virginia Motorcycle License Guide:
- http://www.testquestionsandanswers.com/motorcyclelicense/virginia.html
- What you need to know before you buy a motorcycle:
- http://www.helium.com/knowledge/82743-what-you-need-to-know-before-you-buy-a-motorcycle

















2008 STATISTICS

- 32 motorcycle **fatalities** so far this year.
- 17 USN, 15 USMC, 30 on Sportbikes.

- This time last year the stats were:
- 23 motorcycle fatalities
- 15 USN, 8 USMC, Most on Sportbikes

YOUR FUTURE

IF YOU ARE PURCHASING A MOTORCYCLE TO DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING THINGS YOU ARE HEADED FOR TROUBLE:

ONLY IF YOU'RE NUTS!



BEYOND STUPID



IDIOT



ZERO STEERAGE



SPEED KILLS



SPEED KILLS



DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE



SUDDEN STOP



